§946.72 Right of the Secretary.

The members of the committee (including successors and alternates), and any agent or employee appointed or employed by the committee, shall be subject to removal or suspension by the Secretary at any time. Each and every order, regulation, decision, determination or other act of the committee shall be subject to the continuing right of the Secretary to disapprove of the same at any time. Upon such disapproval the disapproved action of the said committee shall be deemed null and void, except as to acts done in reliance thereon or in compliance therewith prior to such disapproval by the Secretary.

§946.73 Duration of immunities.

The benefits, privileges, and immunities conferred upon any person by virtue of this subpart shall cease upon the termination of this subpart, except, with respect to acts done under and during the existence of this subpart.

§ 946.74 Agents.

The Secretary may, by designation in writing, name any person, including any officer or employee of the Government or name any bureau or division in the United States Department of Agriculture, to act as his agent or representative in connection with any of the provisions of this subpart.

§946.75 Derogation.

Nothing contained in this subpart is, or shall be construed to be, in derogation or in modification of the rights of the Secretary or of the United States to exercise any powers granted by the act or otherwise, or, in accordance with such powers, to act in the premises whenever such action is deemed advisable.

§946.76 Personal liability.

No member or alternate of the committee, nor any employee or agent thereof, shall be held personally responsible, either individually or jointly with others, in any way whatsoever, to any handler or to any person for errors in judgment, mistakes, or other acts, either of commission or omission, as

such member, alternate, or employee, except for acts of dishonesty.

§946.77 Separability.

If any provision of this subpart is declared invalid, or the applicability thereof to any person, circumstance, or thing is held invalid, the validity of the remainder of this subpart, or the applicability thereof, to any other person, circumstance, or thing, shall not be affected thereby.

§946.78 Amendments.

Amendments to this subpart may be proposed, from time to time, by the committee or by the Secretary.

Subpart—Rules and Regulations

DEFINITIONS

§946.100 Order.

Order means Order No. 946 (§§ 946.1 to 946.78), as amended, regulating the handling of Irish potatoes grown in the State of Washington.

[39 FR 1971, Jan. 16, 1974]

§ 946.101 Marketing agreement.

Marketing agreement means Marketing Agreement No. 113, as amended.

[39 FR 1972, Jan. 16, 1974]

§946.102 Terms.

Terms used in this subpart shall have the same meaning as set forth in said marketing agreement and order.

[22 FR 8177, Oct. 16, 1957. Redesignated at 26 FR 12751, Dec. 30, 1961]

§ 946.103 Reestablishment of districts.

- (a) Pursuant to §946.31, on and after July 1, 1975, the following new districts are established:
- (1) District No. 1—the counties of Ferry, Stevens, Pend Oreille, Spokane, Whitman, and Lincoln, plus the East Irrigation District of the Columbia Basin Project, plus the area of Grant County not included in either the Quincy or South Irrigation Districts which lies east of township vertical line R27E, plus the area of Adams County not included in either of the South or Quincy Irrigation Districts.

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- (2) District No. 2—the counties of Kittitas, Douglas, Chelan, and Okanogan, plus the Quincy Irrigation District of the Columbia Basin Project, plus the area of Grant County not included in the East or South Irrigation Districts which lies west of township line R28E.
- (3) District No. 3—the counties of Benton, Klickitat, and Yakima.
- (4) District No. 4—the counties of Walla Walla, Columbia, Garfield, and Asotin, plus the South Irrigation District of the Columbia Basin Project, plus the area of Franklin County not included in the South District.
- (5) District No. 5—all of the remaining counties in the State of Washington, not included in Districts No. 1, 2, 3, and 4 of this paragraph.
- (b) The new districts are established in the current fiscal period only for the purpose of making nominations of committee members for the coming fiscal period. The new districts are to be established as operating entities beginning on July 1, 1975.

[40 FR 12988, Mar. 24, 1975]

§ 946.104 Reapportionment of committee membership.

- (a) Pursuant to §946.25(c), membership representation of the State of Washington Potato Committee shall be reapportioned among the districts of the production area so as to provide the following members and their respective alternates:
- (1) District No. 1—Three producer members and one handler member;
- (2) District No. 2—Two producer members and one handler member;
- (3) District No. 3—Two producer members and one handler member;
 (4) District No. 4—Two producer
- members and one handler member;
 (5) District No. 5—One producer
- (5) District No. 5—One producer member and one handler member.
 - (b) [Reserved]

[40 FR 12988, Mar. 24, 1975, as amended at 43 FR 52199, Nov. 9, 1978; 52 FR 13070, Apr. 21, 1987]

SPECIAL PURPOSE CERTIFICATES

§946.120 Application.

(a) Whenever shipments for special purposes pursuant to §946.54 are relieved in whole or in part from regula-

tions issued under §946.52, each handler desiring to make shipments of potatoes for the following purposes shall obtain from the committee, prior to initiating such shipments, a special purpose certificate permitting such shipments:

- (1) Charity;
- (2) Export;
- (3) Prepeeling outside the district where grown;
- (4) Grading or storing at any specified location in Morrow or Umatilla Counties in the State of Oregon; and
 - (5) Experimentation.
- (b) Applications for special purpose shipment certificates shall be made on forms furnished by the committee. Such application shall contain the name and address of the handler, and such other information that the committee may require such as the estimated amount of potatoes to be shipped, the grades and sizes of potatoes to be shipped (when applicable), expected consignees and destinations, certification by applicant that statements are correct and that he will comply with disposition stated therein, and other information or documents as the committee may require in safeguarding against entry of such potatoes into trade channels other than those for which the special purpose certificate was granted.

[39 FR 1972, Jan. 16, 1974, as amended at 65 FR 70463, Nov. 24, 2000]

§ 946.121 Issuance.

The committee, or its duly authorized agents, shall give prompt consideration to each applicant for a special purpose certificate. Upon approval of the application, a special purpose certificate shall be issued authorizing the applicant named therein to ship potatoes for a specified purpose for a specified period of time.

[39 FR 1972, Jan. 16, 1974]

§ 946.122 Reports.

Each handler shipping potatoes under and pursuant to a special purpose certificate shall supply to the committee, upon request, a report thereon showing the name and address of the shipper, car or truck number, Federal-State Inspection Certificate number (if such inspection is required by regulations in